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Head and Quarters set up in the most publick Places of the County Session Laws where such Fact was committed.

And whereas several Felons have feloniously broke and enter'd p. 3 several Shops, Store-houses, or Ware-houses, not contiguous to or used with any Mansion-house, and stolen from thence several Goods and Merchandizes; and that it hath been doubted whether such Offenders are, by any Law now in Force, excluded the Benefit of Clergy:

Be it Enacted and Declared, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons, shall, after the End of this Session of Assembly, break into any Shop, Store-house, or Ware-house, altho' such Shop, Store-house, or Ware-house, be not contiguous to, or used with any Mansion-house, and steal from thence any Goods, to the Value of Five Shillings, and be thereof convict, by Confession, or Verdict of a Jury; such Offender, or Offenders, shall suffer Death, as Felons, without Benefit of Clergy: Any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary, notwithstanding.

An Act reviving and continuing an Act, Intituled, An Act, ascer- Chap. V taining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco-Hogsheads; and to pre-Continues vent cropping, cutting, and defacing Tobacco taken on board Ships and Vessels upon Freight; and for laying Impositions on Tobacco per the Hogshead, for the Support of Government; and for the encouraging Settlements in this Province, by ascertaining the Manner of paying His Lordship's Alienation Fines and Quit-Rents, for the Term therein proposed; and for taking off the Three-pence per Hogshead formerly raised for the Publick Charge.

Be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same, That an Act, Intituled An Act ascertaining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco Hogsheads, and to prevent cropping, cutting, and defacing Tobacco taken on board ships or Vessels on freight, and for laying Impositions on Tobacco per the Hogshead, for the Support of Government, and for the encouraging Settlements in this Province, by ascertaining the Manner of paying His Lordship's Alienation-Fines and Quit-Rents, for the Term therein proposed and for the taking off the Three-pence per Hogshead formerly raised for the Publick Charges made at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis, the Twenty Eighth Day of May, Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventeen, be and is hereby revived and continued to be and remain in full Force, from the Twenty Ninth Day of September next, until the Twenty Ninth Day of September, which shall be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty.

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